25X1 CONFERENCE 12-13 November 1974 25X1 Key points brought up in the |Support Officers' Conference: 1. I cautioned the support officers against use of the 10¢ pouch to address or attempt to resolve official problems. Housing allowances--while there was a general complaint that the allowances were not enough--it boiled down to only two stations having a real problem. The suggestion was made that the Headquarters reports be standardized or centralized to the point where one form or report could satisfy a variety of requirements. Right now stations are obliged to report similar information to various Headquarters elements. There was some discussion on the "MG" career opportunities and the thought that maybe the "MG" career designee would disappear inasmuch as the upper grades are now the responsibility of the "M" career service and new recruitments would be brought into specific sub-group organizations as opposed to the "MG." There was general agreement that if any attitudinal 25X1 surveys are run, feedback be provided to the participants.

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- 15. It was interesting to note that the support officers suggested that a college student is preferred in recruiting support officers and that he should be brought into the sub-group and given three to six months training throughout the DD/A--not in the sponsoring office. Then he should receive an assignment in the sponsoring office, overseas, back to the office, etc.
- 16. The suggestion was made by many regional officers to handle the shrinking support positions at the various stations. Not a bad thought.
- 17. The suggestion was made of rotating conferences between the field and Headquarters.